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Dear Members,

I hope this brief note finds everyone well and enjoying some of the better flying conditions we have been experiencing.

Field Management Activities

To facilitate our ongoing runway and field upgrades, there will be a small working bee at the field in conjunction with the mowing on Thursday, May 8th. We are hoping that doing some of the field work during the week at the same time as the mowing is done will mean less disruptions to your weekend flying schedules.

This working bee will concentrate on some of the surface cracking in the pit areas, and a few smaller areas on the runways.

The field will not be closed, but some flying operations may be interrupted for periods whilst the work is carried out on the runways.

We have a small team organised to help, but of course, feel free to come on out and lend a hand.

As most members will have noticed, we have had some tremendous improvements to the runways in the past seven weeks since we began the upgrade program. In particular, the main runway has been transformed almost overnight. Our new John Deere Fairway Mower gives us the ability now to cut the grass at the correct height and still allow the growth that we need.

Also pleasing has been the increase in members now volunteering to participate in the mowing crew. As we progress, the time between your rostered days will increase, meaning less time for individuals mowing.

On that note, I would like to thank the members who have taken up the induction and training on the new equipment, as well as those being inducted for the first time on the use of the club machinery. Your committee members David Law and Norm Morrish have been at the forefront of this upgrade work and member induction, and we thank them for their time.

All of this hard work means we keep moving forward as a club and provide the best possible facilities for our members now, and for the future.

See you at the field.

Keith Quigg | AUS 22897 P&DARCS President 2024/2025